Waiting list for Telephone connections in Maharashtra

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons in the waiting list for new telephone connections in Maharashtra;

(b) whether some applicants are waiting for over five years for a new connection;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken to clear the backlog?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) There are 1,89,825 persons on waiting list as on 31.7.2005 in Maharashtra State.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) 7009 applicants are waiting for over five years for a new connection. SSA wise details are given in the statement (See below).

(d) The following steps are being taken to clear the backlog:

(i) 100K MSC based WLL spread across 133 locations is likely to be commissioned by September, 2005

(ii) 85K expansion of 100K MSC based WLL, APO is placed by BSNL Corporate Office, New Delhi.

(iii) 100K MSC based WLL spread across 133 locations is planned and allotment is given by BSNL Corporate Office, New Delhi.

Statement

SSA wise waiting list for telephone connection for over 5 years in Maharashtra

SI. No	Name of SSA	Total Waiting List over 5 years
1.	Ahmednagar	2854
2.	Akola	0

SI. No.	Name of SSA	Total Waiting List over 5 years
3.	Amravati	0
4.	Aurangabad	0
5.	Beed	0
6.	Bhandara	105
7.	Buldhana	8
8.	Chandrapur	0
9.	Dhule	1
10.	Gadchiroli	0
11.	Jalgaon	0
12.	Jalna	44
13.	Kalyan	209
14.	Kolhapur	4
15.	Latur	0
16.	Nagpur	0
17.	Nanded	362
18.	Nasik	389
19.	Osmanabad	0
20.	Parbhani	0
21.	Pune	448
22.	Raigadh	7
23.	RatnagirT	674
24.	Sangli	1645
25.	Satara	50
26.	Sindhudurg	73
27.	Solapur	136
28.	Wardha	0
29.	Yavatmal	0
	TOTAL:	7009